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IN SITU PRODUCTION OF SYNTHESIS GAS FROM A

COAL FORMATION, THE SYNTHESIS GAS HAVING

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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 29 of this paper and include seven attached replacement sheets.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 30 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 31 of this paper.